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Dear UAA, UAF and UAS faculty and graduate students,

Alaska EPSCoR (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) is pleased to announce a competition for travel funding. Priority goes to junior faculty and graduate students. We will fund three purposes:

- 1) Research presentations at conferences and workshops;
- 2) Research presentations to communities within Alaska (knowledge exchange); and
- 3) Integrative science collaboration with other researchers working in Alaska.

This year our biology and social science components will have approximately \$10,000 available for each type of travel. We encourage you to consider this funding as a supplement to other sources, as most awards are limited to \$1,000 for domestic and \$1,500 for international travel. Travel funding is available until funds are exhausted.

We will fund travel for areas of research supported by Alaska EPSCoR. Our project, *Resilience and Vulnerability in a Rapidly Changing North: The Integration of Physical, Biological and Social Processes*, is described on our website, www.alaska.edu/epscor. Applications which clearly show interdisciplinary work around the theme of resilience and vulnerability will be given priority.

To apply, send us the following information **combined into ONE MS WORD DOCUMENT by the January 11 deadline**. Allow at least four weeks after the deadline for your travel.

- 1) Your name and complete contact information, including Banner ID number;
- 2) The science component you are working in: biology or social science;
- 3) For conference travel: conference agenda and URL, destination, dates, and title of your presentation;
- 4) For knowledge exchange: destination, dates, and a one-page description of the activity;
- 5) For integrative science collaboration: destination, dates, and a one-page description of the activity;
- 6) **A one-page statement describing how your travel will increase research capacity in Alaska, including relevance of your research to the Alaska EPSCoR project and the envisioned results of your travel such as collaborations with people or organizations, grant proposals, and/or publications.**
- 7) A simple budget, including an estimate of costs and a note on availability of other funds (applicants are strongly encouraged to have additional sources of funding).

Awardees will be expected to submit a short report after their travel.

Please remember the deadline is January 11. Send your application both to epscor.approvals@uaf.edu and fyepscor@uaf.edu. Feel free also to contact Deb Chapman at 474-6264.

Kind regards,
Peter Schweitzer
Alaska EPSCoR Director